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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
CONTROLLING THE CHEMICAL  
MECHANICAL POLISHING BY  
USING A SENSOR SIGNAL OF A  
PAD CONDITIONER

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION  
REQUIREMENT DATED AUGUST 4, 2005**

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This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 4, 2005, for which the one-month date for response is September 4, 2005.

In a teleconference with Examiner Rachuba on today's date, it was agreed that method claims 4-15 will be examined in the present application. Examiner Rachuba further stated that subject to allowance of claims 4-15, claims 16-21 may be rejoined with the present application.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants elect to prosecute claims 4-15 of the present application.

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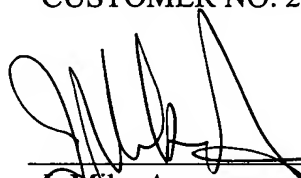
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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (713) 934-4055 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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